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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Takayuki USUI and Toshizi SONE entitled  
"AUTOMATIC PLATE MAKING MACHINE EQUIPPED WITH  
PHOTOSENSITIVE PRINTING PLATE SUPPLYING APPARATUS  
AND PRINTING PLATE PACKAGING MEANS"  
Assignee: FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.  
Our Reference: Q65607

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/302,259 (Confirmation No. unknown) filed April 30, 1999, by Takayuki USUI and Toshizi SONE entitled "AUTOMATIC PLATE MAKING MACHINE EQUIPPED WITH PHOTOSENSITIVE PRINTING PLATE SUPPLYING APPARATUS AND PRINTING PLATE PACKAGING MEANS."

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and Abstract, thirty-six (36) sheets of the drawings as originally filed in parent application Serial No. 09/302,259, four (4) sheets of proposed drawing changes, thirty-six (36) sheets of corrected formal drawings incorporating the proposed changes (the latter two of which were also submitted in the parent application), and copies of the Declaration and Assignment as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement with a Form PTO-1449 listing references cited by the Examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Examiner Eugene Kim in Group Art Unit 3721.

Priority is claimed from May 7, 1998, and May 8, 1998, based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 10-125,075 and 10-126,186, respectively. The priority documents were filed in parent application Serial No. 09/302,259 on April 30, 1999, and were acknowledged by the Examiner via Paper No. 10 dated November 14, 2000.

A Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently herewith.

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